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Sunset Park Porker Undaunted By Crash

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TAMPA - The Sunset Park Porker isn't afraid to risk its bacon.

A Nissan Pathfinder hit a pig matching the Porker's description Feb. 8 as the prowler crossed and recrossed Lois Avenue at Morrison Avenue.

``The pig let out a scream like you wouldn't imagine in the worst horror movie," said Susan Clary of Orlando, who witnessed the accident.

The pig apparently was not seriously injured.

A brown and white pig is leaving a path of destruction in Sunset Park, rooting in south Tampa yards. Marlin Anderson of San Jose Street said the pig lives near his home. Anderson has a pig trap in his front yard.

On Friday, the pig wandered in front of a bicyclist on South Dundee Street and raced past a man walking his dog near Plant High School, about a mile from its home base.

Deborah Smith saw it run against traffic Saturday night on Henderson Boulevard, heading toward Dale Mabry Highway. She wasn't able to drive through a green light because the pig ran the red.

``I had to go have a glass of wine after that," she said.

Cheryl Stoker of South Dundee Street said the pig tore up her front yard Tuesday.

``I thought maybe a motorcycle went in there," she said.

The Porker might not be the only pig. One man said a dozen are roaming Brandon. Theresa Sedita of Seminole Heights accused a pig of ripping two big holes in her yard.

``There must be a lot of pigs running around right now," she said.

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